

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
NASHVILLE DIVISION**

ASSAM MANSURI TARIF )  
IRA WAYNE HOWARD a/k/a )

Petitioner, )

v. )

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

Respondent. )

NO. 3:06-1067  
JUDGE HAYNES

**ORDER**

In accordance with the Memorandum filed herewith, the Petitioner's motion to vacate his convictions as a felon in possession of a firearm and possession of a firearm in relation to drug trafficking (Docket Entry No. 9) is **DENIED**. Movant has ten (10) days to file an application for Certificate of Appealability under 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c).

It is so **ORDERED**.

**ENTERED** this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2009.

  
WILLIAM J. HAYNES, JR.  
United States District Judge